

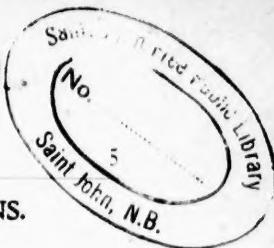
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NEW BRUNSWICK AND ITS ATTRACTIONS.



If the question were propounded why the people of New Brunswick are proud of the scenery and climate of the Province and the advantages for sportsman and naturalist which it affords, the answer might well be because they are all excellent and all varied. It can indeed be honestly claimed that in no Province or State in North America can monotony in one's immediate physical surroundings be so readily and rapidly escaped, in summer, as in this portion of old Acadia.

A general invitation is extended to those abroad who contemplate taking a

pasturage and farms with crops of oats and different kinds of vegetables, lies between them and Saint Andrews, and beyond is Passamaquoddy Bay. If from the neighboring republic they may find some comfort in the thought that, by taking a short trip across a ferry from the town, they can reach the State of Maine. If students of American history, they may be reminded that, within a few miles lies the island on which the French pioneers to Acadia passed their first winter. Saint Andrews is a quaint old place in which, years ago, a bell was rung at nine o'clock every night in the year, long before the revival of the curfew was suggested by reformers. The town is



Scene Near the Jemseg.

holiday but have not determined where it shall be spent, to try to imagine that they see in detail what can scarcely be described in outline in this brief sketch.

Let it be supposed that the invitation is accepted and that at least one of either sex beholds, in the first place what is visible from the top of Chamcook mountain toward the South. A stretch of gently sloping land, consisting largely of

full of contrasts, sumptuous hotels and dwelling places used by summer residents, standing in the midst of the less pretentious homes of the permanent inhabitants. The locality presents excellent facilities for bathing in either calm water or somewhat modified surf, for deep sea fishing, boating, yachting, and, in later autumn, for shooting ducks. At a distance not exceeding

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twenty miles are the Magaguadavic Lakes abounding in trout and surrounded by hills covered with trees, amongst which are partridge, woodcock and deer. Rivers in the vicinity also flow into the the bay and its inlets, and may be ascended for many miles towards their sources, through scenery always picturesque and often unique. If bold coast lines and wild effects of tossing waves and twisted clouds, and views of close reefed vessels fighting the gales are desired, Grand Manan is near at hand. And so is Campobello where new mown hay and sea-wrack mingle their odors, and cow bells and ocean birds each contribute to the volume of summer sounds.

How very different is the scene on the

and after making a short portage to reach the Gulf of Saint Lawrence, by splendid fishing streams through most impressive scenery.

From Tobique the Saint John flows between the hilly banks and natural terraces partly wooded but largely covered with farms and occasional orchards. Numerous towns and villages are passed of which Woodstock is most noteworthy, and at Kingsclear, a few miles above Fredericton, a group of pretty islands appears.

Fredericton, the capital of the Province, embowered in trees and rich in gardens, standing on a level space backed by hills, is never visited in summer without being admired. The University



The Beach at St. Martins, N. B.

upper waters of the river Saint John, two or three hundred miles from the sea. Few tourists go so far inland or have an idea of what they miss by not doing so. From Edmundston, or Grand Falls by canoe to Woodstock or Fredericton, is a charming trip. The falls form a magnificent sight, and below until the Tobique is reached, the river rushes and tumbles through the forests. The course is southerly and it receives many tributary streams flowing from the the eastward. It is not difficult to ascend several of these,

buildings on the height above the city are conspicuous and attractive: the Parliament and Government structures are admirable in conception and execution; and the Anglican Cathedral is regarded as perfect in architectural details and in surroundings.

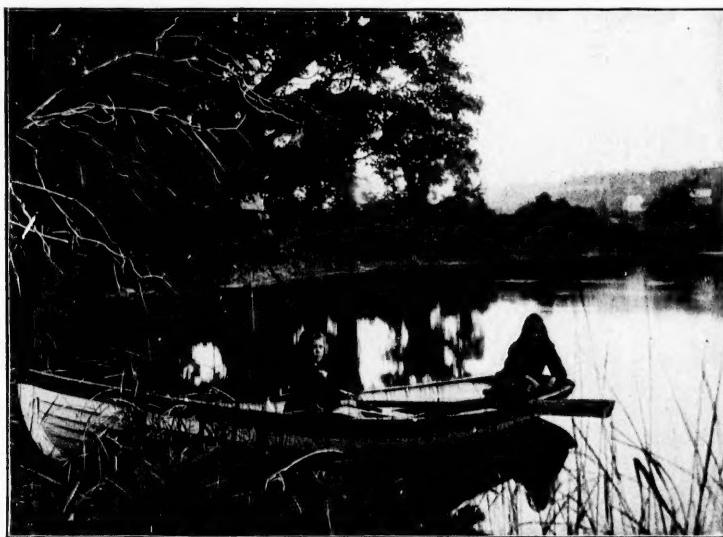
Below Fredericton, the river gradually widening and, half way to the city of Saint John, increased in volume by contributions from two large lakes, glides between banks, at first low and then more elevated, largely under cultivation, or

great expanses of rich interval. Here and there cosy hamlets appear, and comfortable farm houses with barns and out-houses, and tasteful and attractive summer hostelleries and cottages round which the birds are singing and the flowers in bloom.

To describe the rugged beauties of the regions through which such rivers as the Netapedia, Restigouche and Nepisiquit, abounding in fish, force their way, the eye of an artist and the powers of a poet are required. Nor would a sportsman readily credit, without seeing, true state-

season, snipe, curlew and plover are plentiful.

From the windows of the cars on the line of the Intercolonial railway, across the Province from east to west, a succession of views of thriving towns and villages, farms in a high state of cultivation with groups of cattle standing knee deep in grass or picturesque streams or resting under graceful elms, brooks, lakes, inviting ravines, and uplands bounded by partly wooded hills, and usually found to be more attractive than the pages of a book which the traveller holds.



Scene Near the Nepis River.

ments of catches, in these waters, of trout and salmon, and of the great battalions, comprising geese, brant, ducks and teal which are there visible to lead the sanguine and venturesome to try their luck.

Portions of Gloucester, Northumberland and Kent are devoid of woodland scenery, and the greater part of Westmoreland is entirely level, consisting of enormous areas of dyed marsh where cattle thrive and where also, in their

As for sport, the hunter can find moose, caribou and red deer in the wilder sections while partridges and smaller game may be shot in all the rural districts. Lakes and streams are plentiful throughout the Province, and in most of them trout are to be caught in quantities dependent, as elsewhere, upon the proximity or remoteness of populous centres.

The population consists mainly of those old English speaking Colonial or recent



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British stock, but partly of the descendants of the French Acadians, who continue to use the language and retain very many of the interesting and by no means un-aesthetic ways of their ancestors. The Indians are not numerous, but can always be found when wanted to sit for their pictures, paddle canoes, or serve as guides.

of New Brunswick, with a population of between forty and fifty thousand, is a handsome and well equipped city built on elevated land at a point where the noble river of the same name rushes through a narrow, rocky passage into the Bay of Fundy. In the immediate vicinity of the city are lovely nooks, delightful rural scenes, impressive vistas, rivers, lakes and



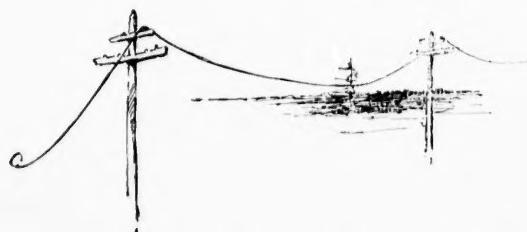
The Bridges, St. John.

The accommodation of inns, even in remote places, is usually good, and few are disposed to grumble at their fare when offered the products of the Province, including fresh fish, oysters, wild strawberries and buckwheat pancakes and maple syrup.

Saint John, the commercial metropolis

beaches for salt water bathers. The traveller, in search of fresh scenes can here avail himself of any one of the daily means of communication, by railway or steamboat or both, and proceed to any place of popular resort in any part of the Maritime Provinces.

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